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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Lital Alfonta, et al.

Application No.: 10/575,991

Filed: April 13, 2006

SITE-SPECIFIC INCORPORATION For: OF REDOX ACTIVE AMINO ACIDS INTO

PROTEINS

Examiner: Kagnew H. Gebreyesus

Art Unit: 1656

PETITION TO WITHDRAW **HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT**; **CONTINGENT PETITION TO** REVIVE

Mail Stop Petitions Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This petition is filed in response to a Notice of Abandonment dated June 1, 2010, for the above-referenced application. As this petition is filed within two months of the Notice of Abandonment, this petition is timely filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(f).

The Notice of Abandonment indicated that the application was abandoned for failure to respond to the outstanding Final Office Action dated November 13, 2009.

Applicants petition for withdrawal of the Notice of Abandonment on the ground that Applicants never received the Office Action said to have been mailed on November 13, 2009. As is noted in the attached Declaration of Attorney Gary Baker, the Office Action was never received at the Quine IP Law Group.

Withdrawal of the holding of abandonment and consideration of the attached response is respectfully requested.

Only, in the event that the Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment is not granted, please consider this a Petition to Revive based on unintentional abandonment under 37 CFR Application No.: 10/575,991

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1.137 (b). I hereby state that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to this paragraph was unintentional.

The reply required to the outstanding Office Action is filed herewith. If necessary to consider the Petition under 37 CFR 1.137 (b), a petition fee is provided, as set forth in § 1.17(m).

If it is determined that this petition cannot be granted, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at (510) 769-3509.

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